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Letter dated 14 February 2003 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to Security Council resolution 1458 (2003) of 28 January 2003 concerning Liberia. In paragraph 6 of the resolution, the Council requested me to appoint, in consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1343 (2001), a Panel of Experts consisting of no more than five members, for a period of three months, to conduct a follow-up assessment mission to Liberia and neighbouring States, in order to investigate and compile a report on the Government of Liberia's compliance with the demands referred to in paragraph 2 of resolution 1343 (2001), and of any violations of the measures referred to in paragraph 5 of resolution 1408 (2002), including any involving rebel movements, and to conduct a review of the audits referred to in paragraph 10 of resolution 1408 (2002).

Accordingly, I wish to inform you that, taking into account the requirements stated in resolution 1458 (2003), including that I draw, as much as possible and as appropriate, on the expertise of the members of the Panel of Experts established pursuant to resolution 1408 (2002), I have appointed the following four experts:

1. Atabou Bodian (Senegal, expert from the International Civil Aviation Organization)

2. Enrico Carisch (Switzerland, expert on financial links)

3. Damien Callamand (France, expert from Interpol)

4. Alex Vines (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, expert on diamonds).

I have also designated Atabou Bodian to chair the Panel of Experts.

I should be grateful if you would bring this information to the attention of the members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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